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The Pacific coast quarantine stations have been strengthened by detail and authorization for employment of additional medical officers as follows: Three at Port Townsend, 1 at Astoria, 1 at Eureka, and 1 at San Diego. Additional employees have also been authorized.

Fifteen hundred doses of the "Haffkine prophylactic," prepared in the hygienic laboratory of the Service, have been sent to Honolulu and the same quantity to Manila, for use in preventing the disease.

[Reports to the Surgeon-General United States Marine-Hospital Service.]

Case of yellow fever in Key West.

KEY WEST, FLA., *January 8, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to state that Acting Assistant Surgeon Eve, United States Army, expressed his suspicions as to a case of fever he was treating, and in consequence I visited the case with him this morning, and telegraphed to your office: "One case of yellow fever in a civilian employee United States Army stationed here. The troops are to be dispatched from Fort Monroe.—LOFTY."

Lawrence, white, age 35, engineer of the army barracks, has lived in Key West for two years, had dengue in 1898, was quarantined with the remainder of the soldiers September 1 and released December 2; since then he has lived with his wife and her family on the corner of Southard and William streets. He was ill the morning of January 5, but attended to his duties in the garrison grounds, went to sick call on the morning of January 6, and was sent to his home, where Dr. Eve treated him. The principal signs of yellow fever are present, and the man will get well. There were cases of fever in the house in September or October.

The troops are expected to return here from Fort Monroe in a few days. I feel confident the barracks are free from infection.

The agent of the State board of health, Dr. Sweeting, will prohibit communication with the infected house.

Respectfully,

R. D. MURRAY,
Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Quarantine restrictions against Miami removed.

[Telegram.]

KEY WEST, FLA., *January 16, 1900.*

Quarantine restrictions against Miami have been removed.

JOSEPH Y. PORTER,
State Health Officer.

Smallpox in Cairo, Ill.

CAIRO, ILL., *January 8, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to report, concerning the prevalence of smallpox in this city, that, for the week ended January 7, there were 5 new cases and 2 deaths, making a total of 21 cases and 2 deaths reported to date. In addition to the above number, there have occurred 11 cases and 1 death since the beginning of the present outbreak which have been reported to the Marine-Hospital Bureau, making in all 32

cases and 3 deaths. Of these cases, 26 have been treated at the pest-house and 6 have been treated at their homes.

In one of the families infected, "squatters" living on the outskirts of the city, the outbreak followed the visit of 2 men whom they harbored for three days about Thanksgiving. These men were sick, "had a breaking out on their faces," and, according to the mother of the family, were from St. Paul, Minn., had come over the river to Cairo from Kentucky, and said they were on their way to Tennessee. The mother of the family was first taken sick, had a mild attack, called in no physician until she was about well and her husband and 2 sons had contracted the disease. Then I visited them with the city physician. The husband has since died and the eldest son is in a critical condition. None of them had ever been vaccinated. The above-mentioned travelers may have carried infection to any number of the other cases reported and to be reported from this vicinity. But they were strangers here, no one knew their names, and they were walking or "beating their way" from place to place. Cairo was probably but one of many of their stopping places in their line of travel. No cases have appeared among the river men as yet, although they are as liable to exposure as others, under the existing conditions. All patients admitted to this hospital not successfully vaccinated within the last year are being vaccinated, and the attendants have been similarly treated.

Respectfully,

JOHN MILTON HOLT,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S., In Command.

Smallpox in Cleveland, Ohio.

CLEVELAND, OHIO, *January 10, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to state that it is officially reported that there are 25 cases of smallpox in the city of Cleveland. These cases are all being treated at their homes under strict quarantine. The health officer states that it is proposed to open the city hospital for contagious diseases within a few days if the number of cases should increase so as to justify it.

Respectfully,

W. J. PETTUS,
Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S., In Command.

Smallpox in Greensburg, N. C., and Jesup, Ga.

[Telegrams.]

GREENSBURG, N. C., *January 15, 1900.*

Numerous cases variola here in city and suburbs. Send 25 plans of organization to mayor to-day. Leave for Jesup, Ga., to-night, arriving Tuesday morning.

WERTENBAKER,
Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

JESUP, GA., *January 16, 1900.*

One case here. Gave usual advice. * * * Unless otherwise directed will inspect Brunswick this afternoon and proceed to Atlanta to-night for conference with the governor. Address, Kimball House.

WERTENBAKER,
Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.